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WAFER HEATING APPARATUS HAVING FLUID HEAT TRANSFER MEDIUM AND METHOD OF HEATING A WAFER USING THE SAME RECEIVED

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION

Honorable Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2001, the period for response having been extended by a concurrently filed Petition For Extension Of Time, the Applicants electe the species identified by the Examiner as "E", and as illustrated in Fig. 14 (and Fig. 15). Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 16, 17 and 23 read on the elected species.

The election is with <u>partial traverse</u> for the reasons enumerated below:

- (1) The Examiner has indicated that no claims are generic. Applicants disagree, and respectfully point out that at least Claims 1, 6, 7, 8 and 23 are generic.
- (2) Fig. 12 differs from Fig. 10 by the <u>addition</u> of the porous material 301, and therefore Fig. 10 is not mutually exclusive of Fig. 12. Accordingly, these Figs. 10 and 12 are more properly characterized as a combination-subcombination relationship, and not as separate species.

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(3) Similarly, Fig. 17 differs from Fig. 14 by the <u>addition</u> of the tube members 102, and therefore Fig. 14 is not mutually exclusive of Fig. 17. Accordingly, these Figs. 17 and 14 are more properly characterized as a combination-subcombination relationship, and not as separate species.

Respectfully submitted,

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